

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Compact.

"If only I were a man," she said.
"What wonderful deeds I'd do!
With a general's plume and a coat of red
I'd harry my foes till my foes fell dead.
And I'd travel the wide world through,
Sword in hand, I'd traverse the land
(How I hate this ivory fan!)
Hearts should ache, and hearts should break,
If only I were a man!"

"If only I were a girl," he said.
"How pleasant this life might be.
Lovely dresses of Indian red!
Beautiful bonnets and caps on my head!
Beautiful men to love!
How I would flirt, at dinner, dessert
(Hearts should ache, and hearts should break!)
That would be brave. What a time I
would have,
If only I were a girl!"

They looked at each other, and laughed
outright.
Brown eyes laughed into the gray.
Then he said, "And why should the dream
take flight?
Marry me, darling, and we'll unite
Our powers—the world we'll sway!"
Gray eyes smiled back their "Yes" to the
brown.
(And she played with the hated fan!)—
"I think that I'm glad I'm a girl," she
said.
"Now I'm loved by a love of a man!"

—George Barlow.

McAdams—McLure.

The Charlotte Observer, published in
Charlotte, N. C., in its issue of Sunday,
April 22, had the following mention of
declared interest to Richmond people,
which said:

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Wylie, of New
York, announce the engagement of their
niece, Miss Edna Harris McLure, to
Mr. Thomas Branch McAdams. The wed-
ding will be celebrated next October, in
the present home of Miss McLure, Char-
lotte, N. C.

Miss Louise McAdams is at this time
the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George H.
Brookbrough, of South Tryon Street,
Charlotte, and Miss Brookbrough con-
tinued at her home Tuesday evening,
April 24th, in honor of Miss McAdams
and Miss McLure.

Mason—Tucker.

The engagement has been announced
of Miss Rosa Johnston Tucker to Mr.
Silas Boxley Mason, of Frankfort, Ky.,
the wedding to take place early in June.
Miss Tucker is the daughter of Mr.
Hon. Harry S. George Tucker and the
granddaughter of the late John Randolph
Tucker, of Virginia. Through her mother,
she is the granddaughter of the late
Colonel William Preslon Johnston, presi-
dent of Tulane University, and great-
granddaughter of the distinguished Con-
gressman, Albert Sidney Johnston.
Her father is president of the
Jamestown Exposition.

Mr. Mason is a graduate of Washing-
ton and Lee University in Lexington,
Va. He is a son of Mr. Horace Pleasant
Mason, and a grandson of Calhoun
E. Mason who had his home in
Augusta county, Va., not far from
Staunton, and was prominently asso-
ciated with the history and develop-
ment of the Chesapeake and Ohio Rail-
way. Both Mr. Mason and Miss Tucker
have a large number of friends and
relatives in Richmond.

Mr. Valentine at Club.

Mr. B. B. Valentine, delighted member
of the Woman's Club who heard him read
last afternoon, his poem under the title
of "A Southern Symphony."

The poem, written in Mr. Valentine's
usual fine style, gave a delightful de-
scription of Southern home-life prior to
the war between the States, during that
war, and since then, of latter-day South-
ern society. Mr. Valentine concluded
with a eulogy on the Southern people
as regards their ethnicity and aesthet-
ically. It was, throughout, a symphony,
as well as the mind of the hearer, the
beauty of the subject finding full and
adequate expression through the ex-
quisite sympathy and broad comprehen-
sion of the composer.

Guests of the afternoon were
Miss L. B. C. Jones, Mrs. E. P. Valen-
tine, Mrs. Taylor McCue, Miss Inslee,
of New York; Miss Gilliam Brown, of
Alabama; Mrs. John Richardson, of Bal-
timore, and Mrs. Meredith Montague, of
New York.

Tea was poured by Mrs. John Nolting
and coffee by Mrs. Caldwell Irrell and
Mrs. Larkins Glazebrook.
The Literary Round Table of the club
will meet Wednesday afternoon to discuss
"On the Traces of the Past," by Flora
A. Steel. Friday evening, at 8:30
o'clock, the whist tournament will be
played.

Mrs. Cox in North Carolina.

Mrs. William Rufus Cox, after a de-
lightful visit to Old Point and Norfolk,
Va., attended the unveiling of a monu-
ment by the North Carolina Society of
Colonial Dames on their annual pil-
grimage to Old St. Philip's Church, on
Cape Fear River.

She will return to Raleigh from Wil-
mington and will come to Richmond
for the time for the biennial council of
the National Society of Dames, assem-
bling in Washington, D. C., early in May.

Shakespeare Burlesque.

Under the direction of Mrs. Charles C.
Walker, the Shakespeare burlesque, given
during the winter and repeated at Wo-
man's Club with such brilliant success,
will be presented to-night at 8 o'clock,
at the third floor of Masonic Temple, for
the benefit of the Presbyterian booth at the
Floral Carnival.

The burlesque is as bright and spark-
ling as possible, and the members of the
cast will guarantee the attractiveness
of the programme, highly humorous and
crisply entertaining as it is.
Mrs. Walker will impersonate the char-
acter of Portia, Miss Rebecca Walker
will appear as Ophelia, Mrs. Henry K.
Franklin as Lady Macbeth and Mrs.
Charles Ferrall as Juliet.

These Shakespearean heroines are all
supposed to meet at a watering place,
after marriage, and bewail the short-
comings of their respective lords. The
result is as funny as it is taking. The
ladies offer their programme with the
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ing of unbroken enjoyment to all at-
tending the burlesque.

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THE POET IN THE WOODS.

(From "The Task.")

By WILLIAM COWPER.

Other selections from this author, his portrait, autograph and biographical sketch,
have already been printed in this series.

EV'N in the spring and playtime of the year,
That calls the unwonted villager abroad
With all her little ones, a sportive train,
To gather king-cups in the yellow mead,
And prink their hair with daisies, or to pick
A cheap but wholesome salad from the brook,
These shades are all my own. The timorous hare,
Grown so familiar with her frequent guest,
Scarcely shuns me; and the stock-dove, unalarmed
Sits cooling in the pine-tree, nor suspends
His long love-ditty for my near approach.
Drawn from his refuge in some lonely elm
That age or injury has hollowed deep,
Where on his bed of wool and matted leaves
He has outstretched the winter, ventures forth
To frisk awhile, and bask in the warm sun.
The squirrel, flippant, pert, and full of play,
He sees me, and at once, swift as a bird,
Ascends the neighboring beech; there whisks his brush,
And perks his ears, and stamps and scolds aloud,
With all the prettiness of feigned alarm,
And anger insignificantly fierce.

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visiting Miss Grace Cunningham, at No.
102 East Street.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Alumnae As-
sociation, of the Woman's College, will
be held Friday afternoon, April 27th, at
1 o'clock, in the college chapel. This will
be the most important meeting of the
year, as officers will be elected and re-
ports will be read. Arrangements will
also be made at this meeting for the
annual luncheon. It is earnestly hoped
that all alumnae will attend.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. Edward McCormick Greene, of Vir-
ginia, is visiting Mrs. Basil Gordon in
Washington, D. C.

Miss Dollie Tallman has returned to
Richmond, after a visit to Newport News
and Norfolk.

Mrs. W. F. Chesapeake, who has been
visiting in Richmond, has returned to
Staunton.

Miss Blanche Rodman, who has been
visiting her aunt, Mrs. Robert S. Davison,
in Newport News, has returned to
Richmond.

Miss Ioka Hunt is visiting Miss Lish-
man on Hanover Avenue.

Mrs. Richard Crittenden Booten, of
Orange, Va., and Mrs. Seawich, of New
Brunswick, New Jersey, are the guests of
Mrs. A. Randolph Tatum.

Mr. B. S. Cooper, of Special, Va., is un-
dergoing medical treatment here.

Miss Mary Young is spending some time
in Norfolk.

The Rev. J. J. Gravatt occupied the
pulpit of St. John's Episcopal Church in
Hampton, Sunday.

Miss Louise Herbert, who is the guest
of Miss Bayne Taylor, in Norfolk, was
among the dancers at the cotillon given
Friday evening by the Senior German
Club at the Ghent Club.

The Baltimore Sun of Sunday con-
tains an excellent photograph of Miss
Constance Cazenove Lee, whose engage-
ment to Senor Don Luis Pastor y de
Moro, Spanish Charge d'Affaires at Wash-
ington, has just been announced. Miss
Lee belongs to the old Virginia family
of that name.

Mr. Walter Mercer has returned from a
short visit to Staunton.

Mrs. Augustine Iovall, of Richmond,
was among the guests at a tea given at
Norfolk by Miss Edith Green in honor
of Miss Elizabeth Terry, of Bent Mount-
tain, Va.

The convention of the Georgia Society
of Colonial Dames, which was held in
Savannah the latter part of Easter week,
was the occasion of many entertain-
ments, one of the largest of which was
the reception for the visiting Dames
given by Mrs. Fleming Davies Tinsley,
at the Woman's Club Thursday after-
noon.

Miss Cattie Bloxton, of Williamsburg,
spent yesterday in Richmond.

Mrs. Mason Miller recently visited
Mrs. James F. Maupin in Portsmouth.

Mr. J. A. Alexander, of Detroit, who
has been spending a few days here, has
gone to Staunton to join his wife.

Miss Rosa Tucker, of Washington,
daughter of Hon. H. St. George Tucker,

is the guest of Major and Mrs. Holmes
Conrad, in Winchester, Va.

Dr. S. F. Hite and Mr. Cyrus Creigh
have returned to Staunton after a short
visit to Richmond.

The Washington Artillery Camp, No.
15, of New Orleans, will give a reception
to Miss Mary Simpson, of Petersburg,
Va., at the reunion this week. Miss
Simpson will spend about three weeks in
New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Lockhart, of Win-
chester, celebrated the fiftieth anni-
versary of their wedding on Easter Sun-
day in their home, near Winchester, Va.
All their eight children were present and
a delightful time was spent.

Dr. B. Cabell Henning will go to Ur-
bana, Va., the latter part of the week
to address a meeting of ministers and
laymen on the work of the Baptist Educa-
tional Commission of Virginia.

The Rev. Dr. W. J. Young and wife,
Mr. John B. Branch, the Rev. L. B.
Betty, the Rev. and Mrs. J. Sidney Pat-
ters, the Rev. W. A. Cooper will leave
May the first for Birmingham, Ala.,
where they will attend the General Con-
ference of the Methodist Church, South,
which convenes May 6th.

Mr. J. A. Koon has gone to Bluefield,
W. Va., where he has accepted a posi-
tion with the Norfolk and Western Rail-
road.

The marriage of Mr. Frank M. Phoebus,
formerly of Hampton, Va., now of
Atlantic City, N. J., to Mrs. Mabel Clem-
son, took place Friday evening in Bal-
timore. The honeymoon will be spent in
Hampton at "Roseland," the home of
Mrs. Anne J. Phoebus.



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President Morgan Thinks Chemi-
cal Just One of Number to
Be Investigated.

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Does Not Control Business in Its
Territory and Cannot Dic-
tate Rates.

Mr. S. T. Morgan, president of the
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, was
again seen yesterday regarding the re-
port that the Department of Justice
would have a Federal grand jury in-
vestigate the company's conduct under the
anti-trust law.

Mr. Morgan had just returned to the
city Sunday night when first seen and
had had no opportunity to investigate
the rumor.

Asked if he had gotten any informa-
tion on the subject, Mr. Morgan replied:
"As I told you on last evening, I know
nothing of a suit of that character being
instituted, and I find, after investiga-
tion to-day, no new light upon that sub-
ject. If any suit is to be brought against
the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company
on account of its being a trust
or monopoly, I am not aware of it."

In the first place, I cannot see how
such a suit could be brought reasonably,
because we could not be considered
either a trust or monopoly in the ordinary
acceptation of the terms. We do have
control of the territory in which we do business,
and in no State in which we sell fer-
tilizers do we sell as much as fifty per
cent. of the total sales.

As for controlling the phosphate rock
industry, the Virginia-Carolina Chemi-
cal Company and all of its subsidiaries do
not mine one-fourth of the total phosphate
rock mined in the United States; so it
could hardly be said to have a monopoly
in that product.

Cotton Seed Mill.

"The Virginia-Carolina Chemical Com-
pany's interests in cotton-seed oil mills
are comparatively of minor importance,
because they crush less than one-fourth
of all of the cotton-seed crushed in the
South; so you can readily understand
that in none of these items is the Vir-
ginia-Carolina Chemical Company a
monopoly, nor can it dictate conditions;
and I would say in addition that the
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, so
far as I know, has never directly nor
indirectly, violated any Federal or State
anti-trust statute."

"Now we had heard it intimated for
some little time back that the govern-
ment was endeavoring to bring an action
against some twenty or thirty fertilizer
companies, among whom was the Virginia-Carolina
Chemical Company, on account of their
supposed connection with a corporation
known as the Colonial Development Com-
pany. This action, as understood, was
brought at all, would be against every-
body who was supposed to be in any way
connected with the said Colonial Develop-
ment Company."

"Everything that we have heard in refer-
ence to the action now proposed, leads
us to think that this is the nature of it,
and that it is not an action against the
Virginia-Carolina Company individually."

LOOK AWAY LICENSE.

Squire Thomas, Heavily Fines
Richard Baker.

Richard Baker, a white saloon-keeper,
was before Squire George W. Thomas
yesterday morning for the charge of
selling liquor on Sunday. Baker was
fined \$100 and costs and his license was
revoked by Squire Thomas, but took an
appeal and the case will come up for
a second hearing when the Circuit Court
convenes in July.

Baker is the proprietor of a saloon
at the corner of O and Thirty-third
Streets. Both the complaint and the ar-
rest were made by Special County Of-
ficer W. S. Sims.

In giving his evidence, Mr. Sims stated
that he had given a negro a silver dollar
for the purpose of getting the charge of
selling liquor on Sunday. Baker was
standing in front of the bar, and
told him to purchase a half
pint of corn whiskey. The negro
did so, and brought back the rum
with eighty-five cents in change. The
negro appeared in court and testified
to the officer's assertion.

Mr. Sims turned the case over to Squire
Wharton, who in turn secured Squire
Thomas to try the case. The whiskey is
in the lock-up, pending trial, being jailed
in the big iron safe in the squire's
office.

THAT DOUBLE HEADER.

Squire Angle Shows the Feathered
Preak to Curious Crowd.

"Squire Myer Angle appeared at the
courthouse yesterday morning with
smiling countenance and with something
up his sleeve.
"Here is my celebrated four-legged,
four-winged, two-headed duckling, which
you read about in this morning's paper,"
said he to the court assembled. "Behold,
a wonderful being, truly!"
The retinue gazed and gaped for won-
derment.
"How did he happen?" was inquired
in chorus.

The squire refused to go into science,
preferring to hold judgment against of-
fenders. Court over, he had dear little
duckling preserved in a jar of alcohol at
Turner's drugstore, and still smiling, he
carried him home, where he (the duck)
will be on exhibition to the curious all
a mer.

FAMILIES IN A BRAWL.

Mrs. Thompson Swears Out War-
rant Against Thomas Gill.

Mrs. R. E. Thompson, of Henrico county,
appeared before Squire Thomas yester-
day afternoon with her daughter and
more out warrants against Thomas Gill
and his daughter, Miss Lottie Gill,
charging the latter with trespass after
proper warning, and the former with
unlawfully assaulting and beating her
husband with a club and threatening to
cut his throat. It is understood that
Gill is now in Powhatan county, and
the county officers will proceed thither
to arrest him.

North Carolina Society.

The North Carolina Society of Rich-
mond announces an important meeting
at their rooms, in the Travelers' Pro-
tective Association building, corner of
Third and Main Streets, next Friday
night, at which time final arrangements
will be made for the annual meeting. The
annual meeting is always held in May,
as near to the 24th—the anniversary of

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dence—as possible. This year it will
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ernor Glenn will probably be the orator
of the day.

Presbyterian Notes.

Dr. F. T. McFadden preached Sunday
at the University of Virginia. His pul-
pit was filled Sunday morning by the
Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, and in the eve-
ning by the Rev. J. H. Dickinson, rector
of the Church of the Holy Comforter.

The Rev. J. J. Pike, of Manchester,
preached at Miller School in Albemarle
county, Sunday.

The pulpit of the Rev. Dr. Jere Withers-
poon, who is sick, was filled by Mr.
Leroy Gresham, of Union Theological
Seminary.

At the Second Presbyterian Church six
young men were ordained deacons of
the church.

Dr. Kirk, of Franklin Street Presby-
terian Church, Baltimore, has declined
friends will be interested to hear.

Benefit Recital.

Miss Kate Puller, assisted by Miss Leano
and other well-known talent, will give
an entertainment in the lecture room of
Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, Tues-
day evening, April 24th, for the benefit
of the Helping Circle of the King's
Daughters.

"Come Out of the West" to Wed.

A marriage license was issued yester-
day by Deputy Clerk E. R. Phillips, of
the county, to Mr. Ernest H. Berger, of
Nebraska, and Miss Katherine Teresa
Kennedy, of Henrico county.



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